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REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-6 and 8-11 are pending.

Claims 8-11 have been allowed.

Claims 1-6 are indicated to be allowable apart from formal matters.

Claims 1-6 stand rejected under §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

These claims have been amended consistent with the suggestion kindly provided by the Examiner having charge of this application. Accordingly, allowance of claims 1-6 is solicited.

Should there be any further formal matters, it is requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted so that these can be resolved.

In view of the above, applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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